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Mr. Vernon A. Williams, Secretary Office of the Secretary Surface Transportation Board, Room 1324 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

RE:

STB Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 190X) Union Pacific Railroad Company--Abandonment Exemption--In Dunn County, WI -- Motion for Extension of Time to Reach Agreement on a Notice of Interim Trail Use

Dear Mr. Williams:

Enclosed for filing are the original and ten (10) copies of the City of Menomonie's Motion for Extension of Time to Reach Agreement on a Notice of Interim Trail Use.

Please date stamp and return the duplicate copy of this transmittal letter in the prepaid, return mail envelope for verification of receipt. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Allyn Lepeska Attorney

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# BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

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AB-33 (SUB-NO. 190X)

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY -- ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION -- IN DUNN COUNTY, WISCONSIN

## CITY OF MENOMINIE WISCONSIN PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF NOTICE OF INTERIM TRAIL USE



### **BACKGROUND**

On December 23, 2002, the Union Pacific Railroad Company (UP) filed with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) a petition under 49 C.F.R 1152, Subpart F – Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances of Service and Trackage Rights, for exempt abandonment of the Menomonie Industrial Lead from milepost 0.90 near Stout Oak Street to milepost 2.90 near 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, a distance of 2.00 miles in Dunn County, Wisconsin, (the "Line"). The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service ZIP code 54751.

On January 6, 2003, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) on behalf of the City filed a request for a notice of interim trail use/rail banking (NITU) under 16 U.S.C. 1247(d) and 49 C.F.R. 1152.29. UP indicated its willingness to negotiate with the City for interim trail use. The Board issued a NITU under 49 C.F.R. 1152.29, which was served on February 7, 2003, allowing the City until August 6, 2003 to negotiate a rail banking agreement with UP.

The City and UP have had initial discussions, had some initial concerns but are now willing to continue discussions. The abandonment has not been consummated.

### **MOTION**

Therefore, WisDOT respectfully requests that the Board extend the period prescribed to negotiate an interim trail use/rail banking agreement for an additional 180 days for the land corridor and related real property, including bridge structures, on a line of railroad known as the Menomonie Industrial Lead from milepost 0.90 near Stout Oak Street to milepost 2.90 near 12<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, a distance of 2.00 miles in Dunn County, Wisconsin, for interim trail use and rail banking, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 1247(d) and 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29 to the City of Menomonie.

Respectfully submitted this 11th day of August, 2003,

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